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SUBJECT: HILEX-7 PLAN OF RESOURCE PROBLEMS (CHROME)

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1. RESOURCE PROBLEM PROPOSED ON CHROME BY TURKISH DELEGATION HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND FPA/GSA AND IS CONCURRED IN.

2. US WISHES TO OFFER FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS:

A. FREE WORLD CHROME REQUIREMENTS ARE ESTIMATED AT A RATE OF 4 MILLION TONS PER YEAR IN TIME FRAME CONSIDERED.

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B. US REQUIREMENTS ESTIMATED AT 1 MILLION TONS PER YEAR;  
JAPAN AT 750,000 TONS PER YEAR.

C. OUR ESTIMATED LEAD TIME REQUIREMENT FOR DOUBLING

TURKISH OUTPUT IS ABOUT 3 TO 4 YEARS.

D. RHODESIA HAS ABOUT 95 PERCENT OF WORLD RESERVES OF METALLURGICAL CHROME. SOUTH AFRICA ABOUT 90 PERCENT OF ALL CHROME RESERVES. TURKEY AND RUSSIA HAVE BY COMPARISON SMALLER RESERVES.

E. US STOCKPILE RANGES FROM 1-1/2 MILLION TONS OF METALLURGICAL CHROME TO 2 MILLION TONS OF FERRO AND OTHER GRADES, MOST OF WHICH WOULD BE ESSENTIAL TO US PRODUCTION DURING TIME FRAME CONSIDERED.

F. BASED UPON US OBSERVATIONS, IT MAY NOW BE APPROPRIATE TO FOCUS EXERCISE RESOURCE SHORTAGES ON METALLURGICAL CHROME AND EXCLUDE OTHER QUALITIES.

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